

1                               **SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 89**

2                               (By Senator Snyder)

3                   [Originating in the Committee on Government Organization]

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5       Requesting the Joint Committee on Government and Finance study  
6               regulating pawnbrokers.

7               Whereas, The West Virginia State Legislature seeks to advance  
8       faithful commercial transactions among pawnbrokers and pledgers;  
9       and

10              Whereas, Law enforcement periodically need access to  
11       information that pawnbrokers are not required to keep; and

12              Whereas, Studying other states' legislation relating to  
13       pawnbrokers will help establish a better understanding of how  
14       pawnbrokers are regulated; and

15              Whereas, Pawnbrokers are currently a federally regulated  
16       institution; and

17              Whereas, The West Virginia Legislature has an interest in  
18       minimizing conflicting regulations with the federal government,  
19       counties, and municipalities; therefore, be it

20              *Resolved by the Legislature of West Virginia:*

21              That the Joint Committee on Government and Finance is hereby  
22       requested to study regulating pawnbrokers; and, be it

*Further Resolved*, That the Joint Committee on Government and Finance report to the regular session of the Legislature, 2012, on its findings, conclusions and recommendations, together with drafts of any legislation necessary to effectuate its recommendations; and, be it

*Further Resolved,* That the expenses necessary to conduct this study, to prepare and draft necessary legislation be paid from legislative appropriations to the Joint Committee on Government and Finance.